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LEXBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Public Health Department.

Annual Report of th Working of the Department for the year 1942.

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Medical Officer of Health.

Dr. T. Lindsay. MB. CHB.

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Council Offices,  
Lexborough.



Mexborough Urban District Council.

Annual Report  
of the  
Medical Officer of Health.

For the year ending December 31st, 1942.

To the Chairman and Members of the  
Mexborough Urban District Council.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour and pleasure to present my Annual Report on the Health of the Mexborough Urban District for the year ending 31st December, 1942.

General Statistics

Area of the District.	1451 acres.
Population.	19,300
Population at census, 1931.	15,856.
Height above sea level.	125. feet.
Number of houses occupied.	4,760.
Average persons per house.	4.05
Rateable Value.	£73,389.
Sum produced by a penny rate.	£268.2.9.
Rainfall for 1942.	14.05 inches
Birth Rate per 1,000 population.	13.5
Death Rate per 1,000 population.	9.7
Infantile Mortality Rate per 1,000 births.	73.3
Zymotic Death Rate per 1,000 population.	0.16
Tuberculosis Death Rate per 1,000 population	
(1) Pulmonary	0.4
(2) Non-Pulmonary.	---
Cancer Death Rate.	0.6

Births.

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate Births.	131	122	253
Illegitimate "	7	2	9
			<u>262</u>

Birth Rate per 1,000 population.- 13.5

Deaths

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
Deaths Registered in the District:-	97	68
Mexborough Residents dying outside:-	13	10
	<u>110</u>	<u>78</u>

Total Deaths:- corresponding to a death rate of 9.7



Causes of Death.

Deaths from all causes.

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Heart Disease.	41	29	70
Other Circulatory Diseases.	1	-	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.	4	4	8
Pneumonia all forms.	13	2	15
Violence.	2	8	10
Senility.	2	1	3
Prematurity.	4	1	5
Cerebral Haemorrhage.	6	9	15
Bronchitis.	4	2	6
Cancer.	8	5	13
Meningitis.	1	1	2
Nephritis	3	1	4
Diabetes	1	2	3
Diphtheria.	1	-	1
Other Defined Diseases.	8	1	9
Totals:-	99	66	165

Infectious Diseases.

Cases Notified.

(a) Diphtheria.	76
Scarlet Fever.	23
Pneumonia.	19
Puerperal Pyrexia.	3
Erysipelas.	3
Measles.	383
	<u>507</u>

One case died from Diphtheria.

(b)

Tuberculosis Returns.

No. of cases on the register on the 31st December, 1942.

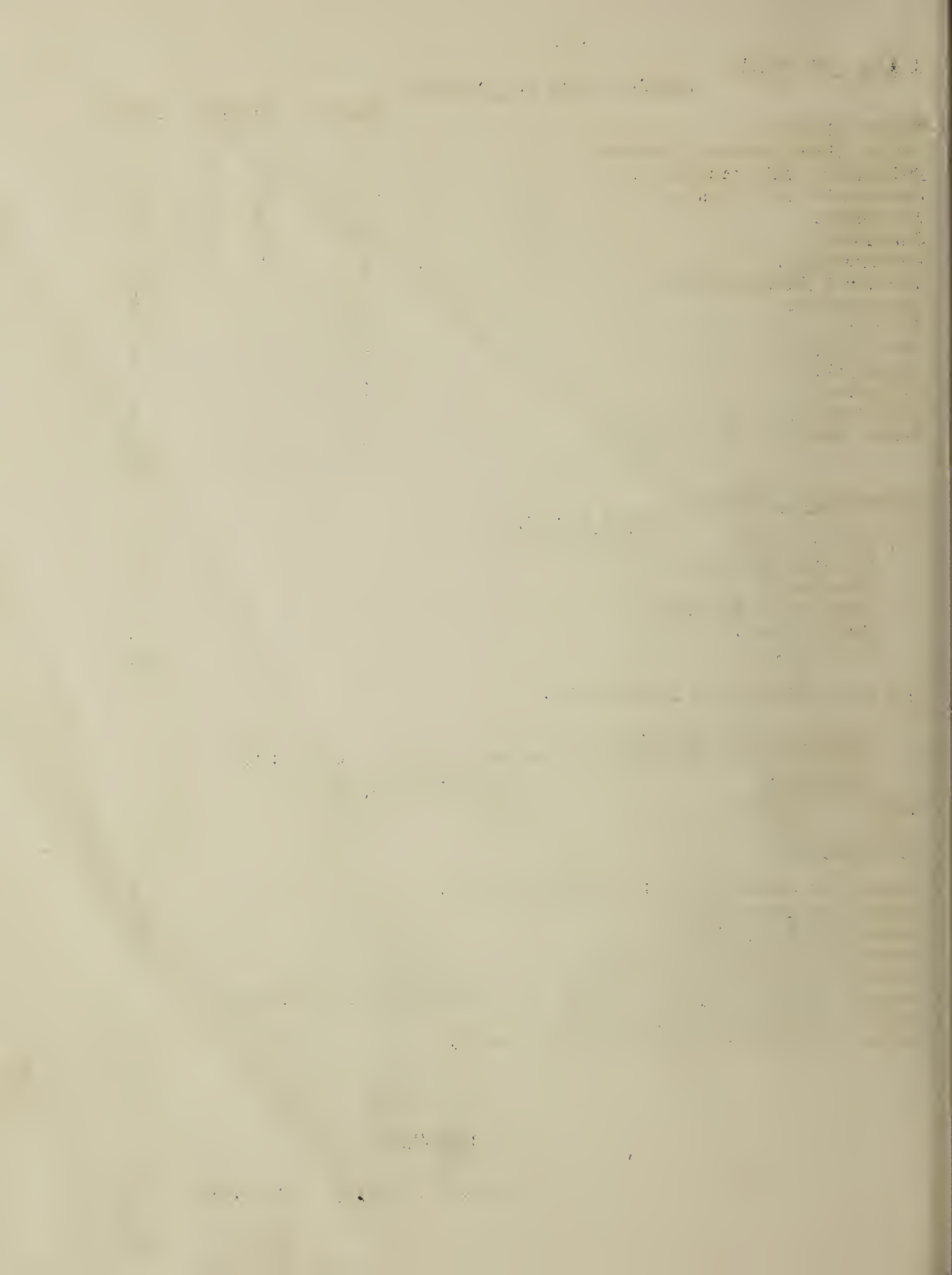
<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary.</u>	
<u>Males</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females.</u>
34	95	33	25

Milk Supply.

Number of Cowkeepers in this District.	4
Number of Cowsheds.	4
Number of Milk Cows.	48
Number of Inspections made.	50
Number of Licences granted for retailing T.T. Milk.	1
Number of Milk samples taken for bacteriological Exam.	6
Number of samples found Good.	6
Number of Milk Retailers on Register.	9

T. LINDSAY.

Medical Officer of Health.





Mexborough Urban District Council.

Public Health Department.

To the Chairman and Members of the  
Mexborough Urban District Council.

Mr Chairman, Gentlemen,

I beg to present my Annual Report on the work of the Public Health Department during 1942. As suggested in the Ministry of Health Circular No.2067 of the 19th July,1941, this report is chiefly concerned with actual figures.

The Department in addition to normal public health work has been engaged in Civil Defence matters, and has been responsible for the work of Decontamination and Food Decontamination.

Inspection Work.

Housing Repairs.

Roof repairs.	124.
Damp walls remedied.	21.
New handrails.	3.
Window repairs.	73.
New sinks.	16.
Sink linings renewed.	24.
Plaster renewed.	118.
Coppers renewed.	34.
Eaves gutters renewed.	47.
Rain water pipes renewed.	21.
Yards paved.	8.
Floor repairs.	17.
Ranges repaired.	57.
Water in cellars remedied.	19.
Sink pipes renewed.	7.
Walls repaired.	27.
Doors repaired.	12.
New dustbins	143.
Chimney repairs.	24.
Steps repaired.	11.
Soil pipes repaired.	5.
New ventilators.	2.

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Defects remedied.	78.
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Drainage.

No. of houses not connected to sewer.	19.
Choked drains relieved.	89.
Manholes reconstructed.	4.
New manholes.	5.
Drains relaid.	27.





Nuisances.

Premises cleansed.	11.
Offensive accumulations removed.	4.
Smoke nuisances abated.	3.
Keeping of animals.	1.
Urinals.	2.
Rat nuisances.	10.
Closet pails renewed.	3.

Disinfestation.

Bug infested premises disinfested.	27.
Verminous persons cleansed.	1.

Notices.

Informal notices served.	195.
Statutory notices served.	9.

Complaints.

No. of complaints received and dealt with.	203.
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Scavenging.

Transport.- 3. Morris Commercial vehicles.

No. of bin premises receiving attention:-	217,045.
No. of loads of refuse.	3,043.

All refuse is disposed of by controlled tipping at one tip.

Salvage.

The income from salvage was £699.2.4. and the following materials were salvaged:-

	Tons	Cwts	qrs	lbs.
Paper	90	8	2	-
Food waste.	2	10	-	-
Textiles.	5	8	-	-
Bones.	2	2	1	26
Ferrous Scrap metal.	5	5	-	14
Non ferrous scrap metal.		4	2	16
Cullet.	6	4	2	-
Rubber.	1.	11	1	-
Tins.	16	4	-	-
Bottles & Jars.	1698 dozens.			

Meat Inspection.

Owing to the centralisation of slaughtering, no slaughtering of animals has taken place in the Urban area. 93 visits were paid to the meat receiving depot.

The carcase and organs of 37 cottager's pigs were inspected. 2 pig's plucks and one head were found to be affected with Tuberculosis and surrendered.



Other Foods Inspection.

Visits were paid to wholesale and retail food shops and the following amounts of foodstuffs were found to be unfit for human consumption and surrendered by the owners:-

2 cwts. 2 qrs. 1 $\frac{3}{4}$  lbs. Cheese; 4 lbs. Sugar; 128 tins Vegetables;  
4 cwts. 1 qr. 4 lbs. Tinned Meats; 236 Tins Milk; 161 lbs Prunes;  
33 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. Sausage; 41 lbs. Jam & Marmalade; 43 Pudding Mixtures;  
76 $\frac{3}{4}$  lbs. Butter; 26 $\frac{1}{2}$  st Fish; 14 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. Margarine; 14 Meat pies;  
75 $\frac{1}{4}$  lbs. Cake; 100 Tins Fish; 5 lbs. Flour; 18 lbs. Partridges;  
48 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. Bacon; 65 Tins Fruit; 5 lbs. Rice; 3860 Eggs; 72 lbs. Jowls;  
5 cwts Potatoes; 22 $\frac{3}{4}$  lbs Coffee; 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs Ground Rice.

Registered Premises.

Common Lodging Houses.	1.
Bakehouses.	4.
Tripe Boilers.	2.
Moveable Dwellings.	14.
Rag and Metal Dealers.	2.

Legal Action.

Legal action was taken against one common lodging house keeper for being the keeper of a common lodging house and not being the registered keeper thereof, after his application for renewal of registration had been refused by the Council. The The keeper was fined £5 and the lodging house was closed.

H. BREARLEY.

Sanitary Inspector.

